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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 3, 4 (canceled).

Claim 5 (new):

A flexible drinking straw for packed fruit juices, milks, coffees etc. which is continuously bent until its use in order to take up less space, comprising:

a corrugated zone,

said corrugated zone comprises more than ten re-entrant overlapping folds,

further said corrugated zone comprises expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds and contracted said re-entrant overlapping folds interspersed among the expanded ones.

Claim 6 (new):

The flexible drinking straw according to claim 5 wherein the expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.

Claim 7 (new):

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The flexible drinking straw according to claim 5 wherein the contracted said re-entrant overlapping folds interspersed in such a way that not many consecutive expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds exist without interference of one or more contracted ones.

Claim 8 (new):

The flexible drinking straw according to claim 7 wherein the expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.

Claim 9 (new):

A flexible drinking straw for packed fruit juices, milks, coffees etc. which is continuously bent until its use in order to take up less space, comprising:

a corrugated zone,

said corrugated zone comprises more than ten re-entrant overlapping folds,

further the first said re-entrant overlapping folds of said corrugated zone are contracted and all the others are expanded, whereby said straw, after its straightening, may bend to all directions.

Claim 10 (new):

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The flexible drinking straw according to claim 9 wherein the expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.

Claim 11 (new):

A flexible drinking straw for packed fruit juices, milks, coffees etc. which is continuously bent until its use in order to take up less space, comprising:

a corrugated zone,

said corrugated zone comprises more than ten re-entrant overlapping folds,

further said corrugated zone comprises expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds and contracted said re-entrant overlapping folds interspersed among the expanded ones, furthermore the first said re-entrant overlapping folds of said corrugated zone are contracted.

Claim 12 (new):

The flexible drinking straw according to claim 11 wherein the expanded re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.

Claim 13 (new):

The flexible drinking straw according to claim 11 wherein the contracted said re-entrant overlapping folds interspersed in such

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a way that not many consecutive expanded said folds exist without interference of one or more contracted ones.

Claim 14 (new):

The flexible drinking straw according to claim 13 wherein the expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.